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Truman Takes Issue With Ike On Sanctions Against Israel

Islamorada, Fla., (INS) — Former President Harry S. Truman, taking sharp issue with President Eisenhower, said yesterday that sanctions should not be applied against Israel.

The ex-chief executive told a news conference he does not agree with the theory, as expressed by the President in his address to the nation Wednesday night, "that you do not interfere with the big nations, but you must make the little ones obey."

He charged that many of the persons who are blaming Israel for the trouble in the Middle East "are anti-Semitic."

ASKED SPECIFICALLY whether he believed that Israel was the aggressor in the recent Middle East flare-up, Truman commented:

"You can't believe everything you read. You have to know what's behind the whole thing. I didn't get my information from newspapers when I could get it from

the Central Intelligence Agency."

The former President declared that the present Middle East difficulties could have been averted had "we kept Russia out of the Mediterranean sea and prevented them from sending arms to Egypt."

Truman refused to say what he would do to solve the current crisis, but he referred newsmen to a 10-point plan he submitted to the House committee on resolutions last week.